

Regular Session, 2009

SENATE BILL NO. 243

BY SENATOR MOUNT

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

CRIME/PUNISHMENT. Provides for enhancement of penalties for a parent who participates or allows a juvenile to engage in a felony criminal act. (8/15/09)

AN ACT

To enact Children's Code Article 897(F), relative to delinquency; to provide for disposition after adjudication of certain felony-grade delinquent acts; to provide for penalties; to provide for certain criteria; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. Children's Code Article 897(F) is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Art. 897. Disposition after adjudication of a felony-grade delinquent act

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F. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law to the contrary, except as provided in Article 897.1, if the court determines that a parent participated in the delinquent act, the court may commit the child or his parent or both to the custody of the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, for a period of not more than five years without benefit of parole, probation, suspension of imposition or execution of sentence, or modification of sentence.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Michael Bell.

DIGEST

Proposed law provides that after adjudication of a felony-grade delinquent act where a parent participated, the court may commit the child or his parent or both to the custody of the DPS&C for not more than 5 years without benefit of parole, probation, suspension of imposition or execution of sentence, or modification of sentence.

Effective August 15, 2009.

(Adds Ch.C. Art. 897(F))